

Application No.: 09/729,557
Response dated: August 19, 2004
Reply to Office Action of: May 20, 2004

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present claims, in light of the attached claim clarifications and the Remarks, which follow, is respectfully requested.

Claims now before the Examiner are 1-27, claims 28-36 having been withdrawn as directed to a non-elected invention.

The numbering in this response will correspond to the numbering in the Examiner's Action.

1.-4. No response necessary

Rejection Under 35 USC § 103

5.-7. *Claims 1-27 stand Rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as Obvious over US 6,372,868 (Szul).*

As amended, the present claims are not rendered Obvious by Szul. Szul repeatedly states that Szul's catalysts are in solution when introduced into the reactor. See column 20, lines 21-23 "the catalyst system, the catalysts and activator are preferably introduced into the reactor in one or more solutions." By contrast, the present claim elements include "...combining a solid or a slurry comprising one or more metallocene catalyst compounds, a support and or one or more activator(s) with a solution comprising one or more phenoxide catalyst compounds..." (claim 1). Nowhere in Szul is there a disclosure of a solid or slurry of one component and adding to the solid or slurry a solution. Furthermore, in present claim 1", "...at least 50% of said one or more metallocene catalyst compounds and at least 50% of said one or more phenoxide catalyst compounds are deposited in or on said support", again there is no disclosure or suggestion in Szul to such a loading of components on the support. Accordingly, the present claims are not rendered Obvious by Szul. Withdrawal of the Rejection is respectfully requested.

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All of the Examiner's points have been addressed.

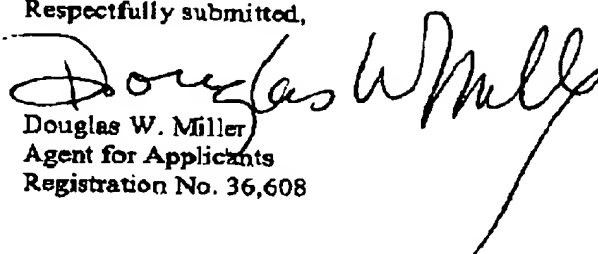
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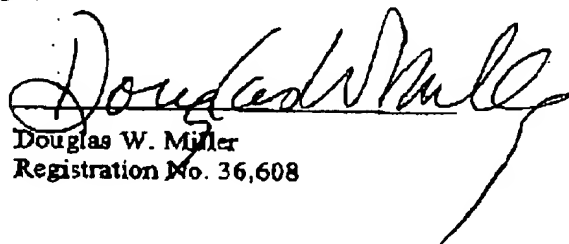
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